GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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DELHI TRAFFIC POLICE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Traffic Police personnel are subjected to highly hazardous and toxic pollution during duty hours;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to take any steps to ensure better safety and health for these personnel;

(c) whether any diagnostic study has been undertaken on the health hazards of police personnel; and

(d) if so, the results thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) & (b): The very nature of duties assigned to traffic police personnel exposes them to environmental pollution. The measures taken to minimize this health hazard include supply of Pollution Nose masks to the traffic police personnel; subjecting them to medical check up on a regular basis; rotational transfer of personnel every six months from more congested areas; and installation of eco-friendly Solar Traffic Booths at important intersections to provide pollution free environment.

(c) & (d): Three studies conducted by Delhi Traffic Police in association respectively with CRRI & AIIMS, Patel Chest Institute and Majidia Hospital bring out the hazards and ailments to which the traffic police personnel working in adverse environmental conditions are prone.